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SUBJECT: TEXTILES: CONSULTATIONS

1. WE HAVE INITIATED DISCUSSIONS HERE WHICH WE WOULD
LIKE YOU TO PURSUE IN TAIWAN REGARDING CATEGORY 315
(PRINTCLOTH) AND SUBCATEGORY 669 (FISH-NETTING).

2. WE MET WITH T.W. HU HERE WEDNESDAY PRIOR TO HIS MONDAY
DEPARTURE FOR TAIWAN. WE INFORMED HIM THAT CENSUS DATA
AS OF APRIL 30, 1978 INDICATES THAT TAIWAN HAS SHIPPED
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104 PERCENT OF ITS DESIGNATED CONSULTATION LEVEL OF 2.1
MILLION SQUARE YARDS EQUIVALENT (SYE) FOR PRINTCLOTH.
HE RECOGNIZED THAT THE PROBLEM COULD BE SOLVED BY SETTING
A NEW DESIGNATED CONSULTATION LEVEL FOR THAT CATEGORY OF
SOMETHING IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF 4.6 MILLION SYE TO ALLOW
ADEQUATE ROOM FOR THEIR SHIPPING THIS YEAR BUT SAID HE
DID NOT HAVE THE AUTHORITY TO MAKE SUCH A REQUEST. (THE

104 PERCENT SHIPPED LEVEL INDICATED REFLECTS CHARGES TO THIS YEAR'S LEVEL A 1977 OVERSHIPMENT OF 1.7 MILLION SYE.) WE SUGGEST THAT YOU EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF THE ROC EMBASSY HERE BEING AUTHORIZED TO MAKE SUCH A REQUEST.

3. CENSUS DATA AS OF APRIL 30, 1978 ALSO INDICATES THAT TAIWAN HAS SHIPPED 134 PERCENT OF ITS 82,000 POUND SUB-LIMIT ON SUBCATEGORY 669 (FISH-NETTING). THIS POSES A PROBLEM BECAUSE AT THE TIME THAT WE ESTABLISHED THE FISH-NETTING SUBLIMIT WE HAD AGREED THAT THIS PRODUCT WAS SENSITIVE AND THAT WE WOULD HAVE CONSIDERABLE DIFFICULTY GRANTING SIGNIFICANT INCREASES. RESOLUTION OF FISH NETTING PROBLEM SHOULD BE ADDRESSED IN UPCOMING US-ROC TEXTILE CONSULTATIONS. VANCE

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